

**OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN EARL BLUMENAUER**  
**APPROPRIATIONS REQUEST FORM**  
**FISCAL YEAR 2011**

**Instructions**

1. Please complete the entire form. **All fields are required.**
2. Please do not **bold**, underline, or *italicize* responses.
3. Request forms must be submitted as a Word document.
4. All completed request forms and any supplemental materials must be submitted via email to:  
[Appropriations.Blumenauer@mail.house.gov](mailto:Appropriations.Blumenauer@mail.house.gov)
5. Please do not send more than one request per email.
6. All completed request forms must be submitted no later than **Friday, February 26, 2010.**
7. If you do not receive an email confirming receipt of your request within 48 hours of submission, please contact Stephanie Cappa in Congressman Blumenauer's Washington, D.C. office at 202-225-4811.

*PLEASE NOTE: All appropriations requests submitted to Congressman Blumenauer's office will be made public on his website, as required by the House Committee on Appropriations.*

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**Project Details**

1. **Project title:** Oregon National Guard Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program
2. **Organization name and address** (the recipient of the funds): **Oregon Military Department, 1776 Militia Way, Salem, OR 97301**
3. **Contact information**
  - a. **Project's primary contact:** COL(r) Scott McCrae
  - b. **Daytime telephone number/ mobile phone number:** (503)704-1380
  - c. **Email Address:** [scott.h.mccrae@mil.state.or.us](mailto:scott.h.mccrae@mil.state.or.us)
  - d. **Project location** (if different than organization's address): Projects occur throughout the state, Headquarters is located at 3225 State St. Salem, OR 97301
4. **Please describe the requesting organization's main activities.** The Oregon National Guard Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program educates Warriors and their Families concerning benefits, entitlements, and services available. The YRRP office assists service members and their families in preparing for deployments, educating family members on skills and services to assist them while the service member is deployed, and assisting the service member and their family in reintegrating into civilian social, economic, and work environments. In addition the YRRP provides assistance to veterans in obtaining resources for job seekers, medical benefits, VA and ODVA benefits, and a range of other social services.

5. Is this organization a public, private non-profit, or private for-profit entity? Public
6. From what federal agency and account are you requesting funds (Please be specific –e.g., Department of Housing and Urban Development, Economic Development Initiatives account)? Department of Defense
7. Briefly describe the activity or project for which funding is requested (no more than 500 words). The YRRP provides group events for unit size mobilizations and individual assistance for veterans and family members. These events and services focus on educating the veteran and family on the range of resources, benefits, and entitlements available according to their military service.
8. What is the purpose of the project? Why is it a valuable use of taxpayer funds? How will the project support efforts to improve the economy and create jobs in Oregon?  
Warriors and their families on the benefits available. When service members and families are aware of their options, benefits, entitlements, and services available they can take advantage of these programs before minor issues become major issues, thereby offsetting costs that would be incurred when more in depth and extensive services would be required later. The education also promotes retention of capable and qualified service members, reducing recruiting and training cost for initial entry service members, which are much higher than retaining and already qualified service member. Services and discounts are also available that encourage veterans to go to school, buy houses, and purchase goods and services in the local economy are also offered promoting economic benefits to the service members local community.
9. Has this project received federal appropriations funding in past fiscal years? Yes
- 9a. If yes, please provide the fiscal year, Department, Account, and funding amount of any previous funding. FY09, Department of Defense, 1.4 million

#### **Funding Details**

10. Amount requested for this project: 1.6 million
11. Breakdown/budget of the amount you are requesting for this project (e.g., salary \$40,000; computer \$3,000): The 1.6 million will be used to fund short term work to support Yellow Ribbon programs, long-term (1 month – 1 year) Active Duty Operational Support orders, and travel for Yellow Ribbon temporary and permanent staff.
12. What is the total cost of the project? 1.6 million

13. Is this project scalable (i.e., If partial funding is awarded, will the organization still be able to use the funds in FY 2011?)? Yes, initial operations can commence with partial funding.

14. What other funding sources (local, regional, state) are contributing to this project or activity? (Please be specific about funding sources and funding amounts)

15. Please list public or private organizations that have supported/endorsed this project.  
**Establishment of Program-** The Secretary of Defense shall establish a national combat veteran reintegration program to provide National Guard and Reserve members and their families with sufficient information, services, referral, and proactive outreach opportunities throughout the entire deployment cycle. This program shall be known as the Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program.(b)  
**Purpose of Program; Deployment Cycle-** The Yellow Ribbon Reintegration Program shall consist of informational events and activities for members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces, their families, and community members to facilitate access to services supporting their health and well-being through the 4 phases of the deployment cycle:

- (1) Pre-Deployment.
- (2) Deployment.
- (3) Demobilization.
- (4) Post-Deployment-Reconstitution.

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